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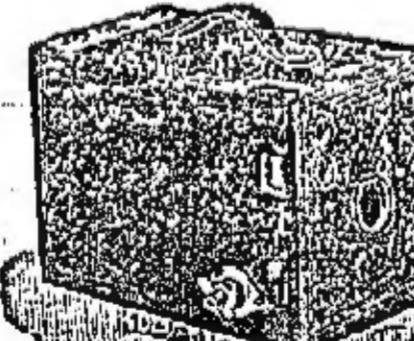
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BIRTHS

On 4th October, at No. 5, Victoria View, Kowloon, the wife of F. A. Brown, a son. [2382]

On 27th September, at Falkirk, Scotland, the wife of Frank Drake, a son.

DEATH

On 23rd August, at Gravesend, England, C. F. Arnold, late captain of s.s. *Wenckow*, of pneumonia, aged 37 years.

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HONGKONG, OCTOBER 5TH, 1904.

Returning to the subject of our own affair with the Tibetans, there is no necessity for devoting much consideration to the statements that China at the last moment made a futile attempt to prevent the signing of the treaty. The allegation that the AMBAN was telegraphically ordered, from Peking, to oppose the settlement has since been contradicted by the Waiwupu, that enlightened corporation which has to do with foreigners and foreign affairs, and which is rapidly acquiring a knack of doing them. It was only to be expected, assuming such an attempt were made, and proved abortive, that the Waiwupu would deny the whole thing. That is to "save face," and since our recognition of China in the matter at all may have been prompted by a similar care for appearances, we need not be too severe. If the incident is of sufficient importance to call for an opinion, we should incline to the view that there was such an attempt made to intervene, and to open up a course of that haggling over terms and phrases that is so dear to the Chinese heart.

There was sufficient evidence in the Blue Book on the affairs relating to Tibet to warrant more than a suspicion of China's absolute sincerity in the preliminary negotiations. It was evident that China not only lacked the power and influence in that far corner of Asia to render adequate support to our just claims, but that she lacked as well the hearty goodwill that we had every

right to look for. Since our Government was compelled to abandon the roundabout procedure via Peking, and to approach the fount-head, there has been a very noticeable disturbance in Mandarin circles. Our contemporary the *Peking Times* has referred to it in this way: "There is a flutter in Peking now over the Tibet Treaty, and the Chinese Government are attempting to make out that England has in some way defrauded China and stolen Tibet from her. China will have precisely the same power there now as formerly—i.e. nil." In addition to that suggestion of a "flutter," we have heard that Prince CH'ING and a strong section of the Waiwupu were most jealous of our apparent success where they had failed. It is disappointing to find that in spite of experience the Chinese in high places should continue to betray such ignorance of our methods. Had it been some other Powers in like case, it is questionable if China's rights in the matter would have been so scrupulously regarded. Our own fear is that we have been too squeamish altogether; and that once in Lhasa we should have taken a hint from the historical Scotch assassin who returned to "make siecarr." It was pleasant to read in the despatch we published on Monday morning of the release of the DALAI LAMA's political prisoners; but with all credit to the humanity of the writer of it, we are not disposed to admit that "the restitution to liberty of these wretched men is in itself sufficient to justify our advance to Lhasa." Nor are we so certain as we would like to be that the signing of the treaty will prove a sufficient satisfaction for the lives and money expended in its obtention. It was because of persistent breaches of a treaty previously signed that the expedition went to Lhasa at all; and it is just possible that the Tibetans, who are, on the authority of the Chinese AMBAN himself, incredibly obstinate, treacherous, and stupid, regard the new treaty merely as a ready and cheap means of getting rid of the obnoxious and simple-minded intruders. We read that after the settlement, "the shapes lingered in the hall laughing and chatting, their gaiety and cheerfulness being in marked contrast with the sullen manner in which they had expostulated with us on the road." Such behaviour, of course, is just as plausibly accounted for by suggesting that they were gaily "speeding the parting guest," and laughing because he had asked so little. He took no money: only a chit—and in the case of the Lamas there is something parallel to that of the chit-signer who said "Thank goodness. That's paid." That they were surprised at the simplicity of the settlement is proved by Reuter's report, that they thanked our representatives for not doing to the shrines what they, in our shoes, would undoubtedly have done. We have no pleasure in thus acting the part of a "wet blanket" to the rejoicing at Home; but we shall be as much surprised as relieved if the events of the next twelve months do not require a return visit of our troops to the mountain fastnesses of the treaty-breakers.

The new president of Peru is named Jose Pardo.

Some notes from Canton, and other matter, will be found on page 5.

The Volunteers' Promenade Concert takes place to-night at their Parade Ground, commencing at 9 p.m.

A meeting of the Kowloon Cricket Club is to be held in the Seamen's Institute, Kowloon, to-night at 9 o'clock.

It is reported in the North that the Chinese Engineering and Mining Co. have sold the steamer *Fighting*.

Chinese bankers have been buying up Russian rouble notes around Yinkow and sending them to Shanghai, making considerable profit.

The Chinese Resident in Tibet is urging the construction of a private telegraph line between Lhasa and Peking to avoid their messages having to pass through any foreign hands.

A Greek named Vangelis was making himself a nuisance at Peking by his lawless treatment of the Chinese. He has been deported to Japan, where freebooters are more quickly dealt with.

Mr. W. M. Hewlett, who was a student in Peking during the troubles of 1900, has just returned from a year's leave at Home and has taken Mr. Fletcher's place as assistant at the British Consulate at Tientsin.

Prince Ching contradicts the rumour that there has been any talk of cutting off the quota, but the *Jiji* says the report was not circulated altogether outside, as it is known a censor did try to memorialize on the question.

The *Sinwenpao* states that Tengchou (near Chefoo), Shantung province, is now suffering from an epidemic of small-pox; the principal victims being children, of whom it is alleged that only thirty-five to forty out of one hundred manage to survive the attack.

The Shanghai Rowing Club opened a new boat house on September 29th, and "signified the same in the usual manner."

The Japanese Minister at Brussels, Mr. Kato, contradicts the statement that General Kuroki is of Polish origin. He belongs to an old and well-known Japanese family. Only silly people could believe such stories as have been going the round.

A Japanese school has been established at Yingkou under the authority of the Japanese Military Administration Office. The opening ceremony was held on September 20th, when the Foreign Consuls and some Japanese and Chinese traders, numbering about a hundred, were present.

The Peking Board of Commerce report the founding of a glassware company by wealthy Chinese at Soochow. The company has been formed with a capital of Tls. 500,000 with the idea of protecting the industry in China, the imports from European countries being on the increase yearly.

While tacking to leave Woosung on September 29th, a heavily-laden Chinese vessel refused to answer her helm and was carried on the tide full against the Austrian Lloyd steamer *Trieste*, then at anchor. The steamer suffered little, but the "lureha" was so badly damaged that she had to return to discharge her cargo.

Sanction has been obtained by wealthy merchants, from the Board of Commerce to establish a large commercial and industrial institution at Kirin Fu, which is the capital of the province of Kirin. The institution will comprise wool, cotton, goods, soap and sugar factories, and the capital is to be Tls. 300,000 divided into 3,000 shares of Tls. 100.

A merchant of Riga, named Hirrow, has been placed in prison for a curious offence. He had missed his last train home, but, finding that a goods train was shortly to start, he bought a fowl and booked it by the train, at the same time obtaining a ticket for himself as attendant on live stock. He reached his destination, but was afterwards arrested, and is now being prosecuted by the railway company for fraud. His fowl has been confiscated.—*Korea Daily News*.

The technical school attached to the Board of Commerce will be opened in Peking on the 1st of the 9th Moon (20th Oct.) The number of scholars is now temporarily limited to 120, who will be divided into six classes and taught various technical subjects. The required books and instruments have been imported from Japan, and the annual expenditure will be defrayed out of the sum of Tls. 200,000 which was given to the Board of Mining and Railway Affairs (now abolished) by a Chinese merchant from Singapore in exchange for some mining concessions in Kwangsi.—*Tientsin Official Gazette*.

Apropos a discussion recently referred to, a correspondent writes in a Northern paper:—"The brethren of Ancient Free and Accepted Masonry all over the world cannot but smile at these fulminations, knowing themselves innocent of the accusations contained therein, and feeling no obligation to take up the cudgels of argument in favour of the "Grand Orient of France," or of any coterie of cranks who may under the name of a Masonic Lodge practise vegetarianism and other fads which have as much connection with the Craft as the "Catholic Apostolic Church" founded by Edward Irving has communion with the Roman See."

It has been known for some weeks, says the N.C. Daily News, that Sir Hiram Shaw Wilkinson contemplated retirement from the onerous duties of Chief Justice of H. B. M. Supreme Court of China and Corea. The announcement is now made that Sir Hiram's resignation has been sent in to the proper quarters, but that it will not take effect until a successor is appointed. In the meantime a session of the Supreme Court will open, and on its completion in the course of the next few weeks Sir Hiram will go on circuit to Tientsin and to Hankow. The retiring Chief Justice has seen 40 years' continuous service in the East.

The lucky captor of the notorious Chinese pirate at Colowan, Macao, at the end of last week was Mr. J. F. Cidde, of the Macao Public Works Department. For the capture of this piratical desperado the Canton authorities had offered a reward of \$20,000. He is presently in prison, pending investigation. His arrest has caused a great sensation in Macao. It is interesting to note that the man disclaims any pretension to being a pirate, but says he was a protector of the common people, being ready at any time with his band of followers to undertake the removal of any mandarin who was making himself obnoxious in the district under his control.

The president of the Chinese Board of Commerce suggests the appointment of the directors or superintendents of commercial affairs in the various provinces as commercial delegates of the Board, so that they may exert themselves on behalf of the Chinese merchants and the Empire, the promotion of commerce being necessary to save China from poverty and dismemberment by the greedy foreign Powers. Unless something is soon done for its salvation it will be too late, because the country will gradually be drained of its silver, not only by the various old and new war indemnities and loans, but by its want of trade. The delegates will be commanded to consult the leading merchants as to the establishment of chambers of commerce, and the sending of youths abroad to study modern commercial methods.

He believes in course of time, if under proper protection, Chinese merchants will be able to compete fairly with foreign merchants.

TELEGRAMS.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, 4th October.

Premier Balfour has expressed himself in favour of Mr. Chamberlain's suggestion that a conference of the British Colonies should be held in India to consider and discuss the question of preferential tariffs.

Two companies of the Sherwood Foresters have gone into camp at the new rifle range, Old Kowloon City. A company of the 110th Maharashtra Light Infantry have gone into camp at the foot of Customs Pass.

The Governor and Mr. E. A. Irving, Inspector of Schools, paid a visit of inspection to Kowloon School yesterday afternoon. H. E. asked that the pupils might have a half holiday. The boys sang the National Anthem.

The annual rifle competition between Hongkong, Shanghai, Singapore, and Penang is now due to take place, and is to be completed before the 15th inst. Each team, consisting of ten men, is to shoot off on its own range, using British Service-pattern rifles of .303 calibre. Each man has seven shots at 200,500, and 600 yards. Umpires, as representing the Straits, Hongkong and Shanghai, will be present during the shooting.

Students who speak Japanese and are fairly well educated are being selected to go to Fengtien and assist the Japanese municipal arrangements in the various places they are controlling, everything being done through Chinese officials under Japanese direction. The Wai Wu Pu has wired to the Tartar General at Fengtien to ask the Japanese not to institute their municipal governments in any of the cities taken, as the Chinese can govern themselves. The Japanese absolutely refuse to entertain the request.—*Peking Times*.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Malley, the "honeymoon couple" from America who are on a walking tour round the world, called at our office yesterday. We had not the time to do more than glance at one of the wonderful series of albums the enterprising pair have filled with souvenirs of the journey. We noticed, however, from earlier photographs, that Mrs. O'Malley, whilst wonderfully "fit," has acquired some traces of the hardships of so great a tour. Mr. O'Malley informed us that he intends to lecture in Hongkong. In the meantime they have a lot of good picture postcards for sale.

The difficulty of getting and keeping good servants is becoming a serious problem also in India, as locally. There are signs (it is said) which show that the most ruffianly and good-for-nothing servants belong to a sort of trades union, all the members of which support each other, so that if one is dismissed for no matter how grave a fault it becomes impossible to replace him. Quite lately the Council of the Imperial Anglo-Indian Association addressed the Government on the necessity of introducing a law into Calcutta regulating the relations between masters and servants, calling to notice the recent frequent boycotting of employers by servants.

A stray bitch with a litter of puppies was found to be occupying a covered drain at Tientsin. A party of police therefore, armed with a hose, and with an experienced foreigner in charge, proceeded to the place, and having fixed the hose to the nearest hydrant quickly had a stream of water playing down the drain, whilst a man with a stick was stationed at the other end to give the coup de grace to any animal which might have drowned. The female dog, however, had executed a flank movement, and from a safe position in the rear of the attacking party, watched with intense interest, and a naughty little twinkle in her eye, the attempts that were being made to destroy her. Her family was safely deposited in some cargo on the band. The rabies scare still continues.

A FRENCH CANTON-WUCHOW LINER SOLD.

The French steamer *Le Rhone* at Canton, which was offered at auction on 30th September, as advertised, found no buyer, the upset price of \$25,000 being too high. She was subsequently sold, by private arrangement, through Messrs. T. Edwards & Co., to the Banco Ital.-Chines of Canton for the sum of \$22,000 only. This was one of the steamers belonging to Messrs. J. Trevoix & Co., and used to run between Canton and Wuchow under subsidy from the French Government.

DEPARTURE OF MR. ROBERT M. MCWADE.

A correspondent writes:—Mr. Robert M. McWade, late United States Consul-General, Canton, will leave Canton on Thursday, the 6th instant, for Hongkong, en route to America, in compliance with the order of his Government. He is to be the recipient of some farewell addresses.

FOOTBALL.

In the six-a-side series, last evening Boyd's team drew with Knivett's team, one goal all; and Williams' team drew with Rutherford's team, no goals being scored.

Gray v. Williams is the fixture for this evening.

The V.R.C. held a meeting in connection with football this afternoon.

In another Association game last evening "A" Co. Sherwood Foresters beat "B" Co. by 2—0.

THE WAR

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

A SHANGHAI "BUNDER"?

SHANGHAI, 3rd October.

The report that the Russian cruiser *Bayan* had arrived in the neighbourhood of Gutzlaff, where two tugs went to meet her, is unconfirmed, and is now considered to be improbable.

(From Northern Papers.)

JAPAN'S ANSWER TO RUSSIA.

TOKYO, 29th September.

An urgent imperial ordinance, to be enforced from date, was gazetted to-day, modifying the Conscription Law. The term for the second reserves has been prolonged five years, the distinction between the first and second reserves of conscripts being abolished thereby. The hitherto so-called first militia becomes the second reserves, and the second reserve conscripts come under the general term reserve conscripts. Altogether the period of service with the colours and in the second reserve now totals seventeen years and four months against hitherto twelve years and four months. The present ordinance is regarded as a reply to the recent ukase of the Tsar calling out the Russian reserves.

The term for active service soldiers hitherto was: Colours, 3 years; Reserve, 4 years and 4 months; Landwehr, 5 years; in all, 12 years and 4 months.]

EXTRAORDINARY ATTACKS ON PORT AETHERTON.

CHEFOO, 28th September.

There have been extraordinarily strong attacks on Port Arthur from the land side from the 20th to the 26th September. The Japanese have been, however, always repulsed. When the Japanese occupied a fort, which was before undermined, by the Russians, the mine was exploded electrically, whereby the Japanese had terrible losses. It is reported that six thousand men were killed.

THE DEFENCE WORKS AT LIAO.

LIAOYANG, 21st September.

The strength of the semi-permanent defence works prepared here by the Russians is causing much surprise. The fact that the Russians had to abandon these defences, comprising deep pitfalls, barbed wire entanglements, long trenches, and many others, proves how effective, says the *Mainichi*, the Japanese attack must have been. The Hunho, to the south of Mukden, is broader and deeper than the Taits. The Russians have prepared three bridges over it, and some redoubts at this end of the bridge. Vice-Admiral Alexiev sent a long telegram to St. Petersburg severely criticising General Kuroptkin for retreating northward from Liayang, which he considers has discredited Russia in the Far East.

PORT ARTHUR RUSSIAN SQUADRON.

CHEFOO, 28th September.

The Russian battleships at Port Arthur have been all repaired, and are now prepared for a sortie. A fight is imminent.

HONGKONG SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday afternoon in the Board Room. Dr. J. M. Atkinson presided, and there were also present Hon. P. N. H. Jones, Hon. A. W. Brown, Mr. F. J. Badeley, Major Josling, R.A.M.C., Mr. Lau Chu Pak, Mr. E. A. Hewett, Mr. A. Rungjahn, Mr. H. E. Pollock, Dr. W. W. Pearce, Dr. P. Burnett and Mr. T. H. Hammer (secretary).

ANTHRAX AT KENNEDY TOWN.

There was laid on the table a report concerning a case of anthrax at Kennedy Town by the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon. It was not read.

FUMIGATING APPARATUS.

Correspondence relative to the Clayton fumigating apparatus was laid on the table.

Dr. Pearce, reporting on the matter, wrote that on the whole he was in favour of adopting the Clayton process for use in the Harbour, as the weight of evidence was much in favour of its usefulness as a prophylactic measure. He was not, however, as yet convinced that its sphere of usefulness could be extended to the general disinfection of Chinese houses in Hongkong.

Mr. Hewett minuted:—The committee of the Chamber of Commerce, which includes representatives of almost all the British and German shipping visiting Hongkong, have informed the Government that they are opposed to the introduction of such an apparatus, as in their opinion it cannot with safety be used on a vessel unless there is no cargo on board. The reports attached show that serious damage might be caused not only to the paint and fittings of a vessel, but also to many classes of cargo on board. The Acting M.O.H. states in his opinion it is impossible to properly close Chinese houses for the purpose of fumigation. With all due deference to this official, I would state that with all passenger steamers greater difficulty would be experienced, and some passenger ships are so constructed that it would be an absolute impossibility to close the passenger accommodation sufficiently to kill rats, etc., by gas.

The President thought they must wait for further information with reference to the merits of this process. The Secretary of State said in his letter that the information presently obtained did not warrant a definite conclusion being arrived at in favour of the process. Personally he was of opinion that it was a very effective measure as a plague preventative, but he did not think the time had arrived for the Board to make a recommendation for its use generally on ships in the Harbour.

Mr. HEWETT stated that he had intended to make a few remarks on the subject, but in view of what the President had said he would defer them till a more suitable time. He understood the question had been raised with a view of adopting the Paris Convention as opposed to the Venice Convention with regard to the treatment of ships. A letter from the Colonial Secretary would be considered at a meeting of the committee of the Chamber of Commerce to-morrow (Wednesday) with reference to the Paris Convention.

The President remarked that that matter had not been referred to the Board.

AN APPLICATION.

Application was made to erect a water-closet and one dry closet on Inland Lot No. 7, in Stanley Street.

The Sanitary Surveyor (Mr. H. T. Jackman) reported that the position of the yard where it was proposed to erect the closets, being as it was enclosed all round, almost compelled the use of water-closets in preference to privies. The property abutted on Queen's Road Central and Stanley Street. The capacity of the water tank, 300 gallons, was ample, especially as it would be supplied from a well. The existing drain underneath would be examined before connection was made.

Dr. Pearce minuted that he was not in favour of the multiplication of water-closets in the Colony. Blocks of offices, hotels and clubs were, he thought, the only places where the Board had decided to consider the question of permission of water-closets. He considered that properly managed dry privies were safer than water-closets. In any case the patterns for the closets ought to be submitted for approval.

Mr. Rungjahn minuted:—I do not see why water-closets should only be confined to blocks of offices, hotels and clubs. They are decidedly an improvement on our present pail system. If an independent supply can be provided for flushing them I do not see why we should refuse any application. The application does not state where the supply of water is to come from.

Mr. HEWETT—Refuse.

The President explained that the necessary water was obtained from a well on the premises which were still occupied by Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co. Seven Europeans lived there, also Chinese. He thought that water-closets were very much more sanitary than privies provided they could get a water supply other than the public water supply.

Mr. HEWETT said it seemed to him, in view of the general principle laid down by the Board, they should be very careful in considering this proposal. If they agreed to this building being fitted with water-closets there was no reason why they should not agree to water-closets being allowed in any Chinese shop or factory in the town. This was not a water-closet for a few Europeans in a hotel, office or club, but it was a proposal to start a new departure—to put water-closets in a building which was mainly used by Chinese.

Mr. Rungjahn held that water-closets were far more preferable to the present system, and more sanitary.

Mr. PEARCE proceeded to make a statement on the matter, saying that although the intro-

duction of water-closets in England had been followed by a reduction of the death-rate from typhoid fever, which result had been due not so much to the water system of sewage as to the doing away of leading underground cesspools liable to contaminate the water supply, he did not think the time had come in Hongkong for the introduction of water-closets, and he was not in favour of supplying them to the Chinese generally.

Mr. LAU CHU PAK said that in this case the water-closets would be used by the Europeans alone.

Mr. HEWETT remarked that he would not oppose the application if it was for the use of Europeans only.

The PRESIDENT stated that as this building did not come within the category of buildings in which the committee of the Board had decided that there could be water-closets placed he moved that the application be refused.

Mr. HEWETT seconded, and the motion was adopted.

CRICKET CLUB PAVILION.

Application was made for permission to erect a water-closet and two urinals at the new Cricket Club pavilion.

Mr. HEWETT minuted:—Where does the water come from? Grant, if a well can be provided.

The CHAIRMAN, remarking that the water was to be got by sinking a well, moved that the application be granted.

Mr. HEWETT seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

WATER ANALYSIS.

Mr. A. C. Franklin, Government Analyst, reported that his analysis for September showed the public water supplies to have been of excellent quality.

This was all the business of public importance before the meeting.

CONDITIONS AT PORT ARTHUR.

Raymond R. Econly, correspondent of the Paris Temps at Liaoyang, has telegraphed as follows to his paper:

I was fortunate this morning to travel with an American naval attaché, Lieut. Newton McCullough, who has just returned from Port Arthur, after a sojourn there of three months. The news he gives me is entirely different from the pessimistic reports received lately concerning the situation at the fortress.

The American attaché left the fortress August 14th. The Japanese were then four and a half miles from the city. The Russian positions, upon a chain of rugged hills 200 metres high, were protected by trenches, mines, networks, barbed wire and cannon, and, according to the American officer, it was impossible to take them by assault. Japanese shells fell in the city, but each position possessed a dugout, in which the occupants were able to secure shelter. The Japanese heavy guns ceased firing every night, fearing that the Russians would detect their exact location by the flashes during the darkness.

There were considerable stocks of provisions at Port Arthur. The Russian soldiers had a fresh meat ration daily. The reports that Russian officers were subsisting on onions and black bread were absurd inventions. The stores were still open, and the population promenaded the streets. The regiments took turns in the trenches. Part of the garrison was always resting. The Russian sailors assisted in the defence of the fortress. They made excellent sharp-shooters. The heat had not been unbearable. The American attaché believes that the Japanese losses have been very heavy, at least ten times those of the Russians. In short, Port Arthur can hold out much longer than people believe. When the officer left Port Arthur the French naval attaché, Lieut. de Cuverville, was still there. Entering and leaving the fortress was then very difficult, as the Japanese were sinking (?) all the junks. The American officer landed at Shantungkwan with some French women and one little girl.

TIENTSIN-NANKING RAILWAY.

We are informed in connection with the proposed Tientsin to Nanking railway that since the ordinary survey of the German section of the railway in Shantung, a further special survey has been made. This second survey was not necessary until the signing of the contract;

but it was carried out with a view to emphasising the desire to bring the venture to a satisfactory head. Maps and plans of elevations in this section of the proposed line have now been compiled. The Deutsche-Asiatische Bank have guaranteed to furnish their portion of the £7,400,000 within a stipulated time after the estimates have been arrived at by the British Corporation survey. The money market in London appears to be very doubtful just now upon Chinese investments, and it is because of this that no advancement is made in the British section of the railway. It is confidently felt by the Deutsche-Asiatische Bank that immediately they float the loan, it will be snapped up very quickly in Berlin, where the views as to prospects in the China market are directly opposite to those entertained in London. The Germans have been ready now for several months to commence the construction of their part of the line, but they cannot do this until the contract has been signed by the Chinese officials. One contract covers the British and German sections, and until therefore the British are ready to sign, the Germans can do nothing. In the meantime, those interested in the German section of the railway are out of pocket for all the preliminary expenses of the surveys, and at present there is no sign of being able to get any further.—*Tientsin Times*.

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SUPREME COURT.

Tuesday, 4th October.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR T. SERCOMBE SMITH (PRESIDING JUDGE).

ACTION BY A BLACKSMITH.

The Choy Yuen firm, of Tangchow, Canton, with the Hongkong address of 21, Queen's Road East, sued the Nam Hing firm, traders, 265, Des Voeux Road West, for \$255.50 for goods sold and delivered. Mr. Otto Kong Sing, solicitor, appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr. H. K. Holmes, solicitor, for the defendants.

Mr. Kong Sing stated that the plaintiffs were blacksmiths and makers of sickles.

On 11th March a contract was entered into between the parties for the supply by the plaintiffs to the defendants of 3,200 sickles, and these were forwarded on the 10th of July. A demand was afterwards made for payment, and in reply the defendants sent back a quantity of sickles, asking the plaintiffs to take delivery as part payment—in fact, almost full payment. Plaintiffs said these sickles were not the sickles supplied by them, and refused to take delivery.

After hearing evidence his Lordship said the question arose in this case whether the sale was a sale outright or was a mere forwarding of the goods for sale on commission. The evidence showed that a special mark had been put on the sickles because they were being consigned to a special firm. For some reason or other the defendant firm returned some goods, and he was convinced that the goods returned were old stuff, probably goods that had never been received from the plaintiffs. He held that the contract was for the sale of the goods out and out. Judgment must be for plaintiffs with costs.

POLICE COURT.

Tuesday, 4th October.

BEFORE MR. J. H. KEMP (ACTING FIRST MAGISTRATE).

NO QUARANTINE FLAG.

The Captain of the s.s. *Providence* was charged with neglecting to fly the quarantine flag on entering the harbour from a plague-infected port. Defendant stated he came from An Ping and had the quarantine flag hoisted until the pilot came aboard and told him it was unnecessary. Under the circumstances the defendant was fined \$25, though the maximum fine was \$2,000.

A MEAN FRAUD.

A Eurasian, John Whylie, recently put in stocks for fraud, was again convicted of obtaining money by false pretences. He went into a house in Gough Street and told an old Chinese woman residing there that he was a water authority. He said he had been sent to repair two taps, and demanded \$6 for this purpose.

The money was paid, but the woman, who was given two receipts, was afterwards advised to see the police. He was sentenced to undergo six months' hard labour.

EXTRADITION CASE.

The Saigon extradition case was again remanded. Mr. John Hastings, solicitor, again protested that there really should be an end to it. He had had several useless visits to the Court.

BEFORE MR. E. D. C. WOLFE (ACTING SECOND MAGISTRATE).

REFUSING TO PAY HIRE.

A European, R. Manning, was charged with refusing to pay chair hire, and assaulting an Indian policeman. He was convicted and fined \$8 and ordered to pay 50 cents compensation on the first count. He was fined \$5 for the assault.

EXCESS OF PASSENGERS.

P.-S. Sullivan charged the master of a launch, plying between Hongkong and Hungtse, with carrying 23 passengers in excess of the number allowed by his license. The man was convicted and fined \$50 or six weeks' imprisonment.

AN UNLAWFUL MASHRED.

Fifteen men and a woman from Taumati were charged with erecting a moshred, an inflammable structure, without a permit from the police. The case was remanded so as to give the defendants time to pull the structure down.

AN INTERESTING CASE.

Indian P.S. SIS charged a shopkeeper from Elgin Road, Kowloon, with dumping rubbish outside the store. Defendant called a witness who stated that complainant some time ago asked for a tin of milk on credit. He often came to their shop, but they refused to give him credit. On the "milk" occasion complainant said they would know who he was. He was a policeman, and would show them something by-and-by. A Sunday foreman said that the rubbish was put in heaps till the dustman came. The charge was dismissed.

ALLEGED THEFT.

A curio dealer, of No. 31a, Queen's Road Central, charged two men on remand with stealing a quantity of goods from his store. Mr. Otto Kong Sing, solicitor, prosecuted; and Mr. Harding, solicitor, appeared for the defence. The case was further remanded.

CRUELTY TO A BLIND MAN.

J. Manson was charged with assaulting a blind man. Constable Blackman, who arrested the man, said that the blind man was moving slowly along, blowing a whistle to denote the fact that he was blind, when the defendant struck him several blows on the legs with a stick. Defendant was fined \$5, and ordered to pay \$2 compensation to complainant.

The s.s. *Agincourt* has three small holes in her hull, which is somewhat dented. The engines and boilers are being repaired.

A meeting in connection with the District Grand Lodge of Scottish Freemasonry, is to be held at the Masonic Hall on the 7th inst. at 5 p.m., to discuss a proposal to hold a maso nie ball in November or December.

DEATH OF LAFCADIO HEARN.

The death of Lafcadio Hearn, the famous and prolific word-painter who had made his home in Japan, and idealised that country and its people for many English readers, was announced on the 29th September, and the interment was to take place on the 30th. He was 54 years old, and had been recently living in retirement while busily engaged upon another book.

He was born in the Ionian Isles, his parentage being half Irish, half Greek, which accounts for the mixture of poetry and exaggeration in his work. He had an unpleasant affection of the eyes (one being quite useless) which made him almost blind, and his very large output is all the more amazing in view of that. He had lived a very adventurous life, and loved to speak of his experiences in Texas, whither he wandered as a youth of nineteen or twenty. He was printer, journalist, and anything connected with paper and ink. He was sent out to the East by Harper's, on a commission connected with the Philippines, and when some misunderstanding with that famous publishing firm arose, he went to Japan and settled there, the country and its inhabitants appealing strongly to his romantic temperament. In the course of time, during which he made numerous friends at Kobe and Yokohama, he reached Tokyo, and subsequently succeeded Professor Chamberlain as Professor of English Literature there. He naturalised, and married, under the name Koizumi Yukino; and there is a jest current in Japan (where foreigners did not always sympathise with their nationals who expatriated themselves), to the effect that the Japanese rewarded him by putting his salary on the native scale, reducing it from 250 yen to 50 yen a month. He occupied the professorial chair from 1896. One of his chief foreign friends was Paymaster Mitchell McDonald of the American Navy, a gentleman of literary taste and culture who lives at Yokohama. To him one of Mr. Hearn's books was dedicated. Many foreign visitors to Japan used to inquire almost immediately for the poet who had exposed for their benefit the real heart of Japan. In time, they always discovered things that caused them to adjust most of the impressions formed from reading "Kokoro" and similar books. Such of them as still desired to render homage to the famous writer met with poor encouragement. Mr. Hearn having (perhaps because of too much incense) grown shy and unapproachable. If his enthusiasm for things Japanese led him to paint the rose very often, the final verdict on his work must include the admission that he was a master of English, most of whose books will live if only for the sheer beauty of their literary form.

LOSS OF THE "LUCIA."

On Monday, July 18th, the crew of the Norwegian s.s. *Solvitey* were paid off at Nagasaki, owing to some trouble with the captain, and were subsequently shipped to Shanghai. Yesterday (20th inst.) one of these men left here again for Shanghai, having been through a most thrilling experience in the interval. He gives the following account of the incident:

On arrival at Shanghai he shipped on board the British sailing vessel *Lucia*, engaged in general trade in North China. Her last voyage was from Shanghai to Newchwang with a general cargo. On September 9th the vessel was becalmed when about twenty miles from Port Arthur, and in the usual course of ships bound from and to Newchwang. In the morning she was hailed by a Japanese destroyer, belonging to the blockading squadron, and made satisfactory replies to the questions put by the Japanese. In the afternoon another destroyer hailed her and warned the captain of the possible danger to the vessel through drifting within range of the Russian batteries. Towards nightfall a third Japanese destroyer repeated the warning. Owing to the absence of wind the captain was unable to pursue his journey and the crew retired to rest as usual. During the night the sailor was awakened by a rush of water in the cabin, followed by an explosion, which blew the ship to pieces. He managed to clutch a piece of wood after rising to the surface and floated in the water for the remainder of the night, being picked up at nine o'clock the next morning by the destroyer which had last hailed the *Lucia*. The remainder of the crew were either killed or drowned. The survivor was sent to Sasebo by the Japanese naval authorities, and from thence sent here, en route to Shanghai. It is supposed that the vessel struck a floating mine, and the disaster will doubtless form the subject of a British naval enquiry.

The survivor, John Devine, is a British subject. He states that the Japanese have treated him exceptionally well; in fact he considers that the period since his rescue has been the most prosperous of his life.—*Nagasaki Press*.

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excellent condition and free from ills.

J. CLIFFORD WILKINSON,

Kobe, Japan;

Sole Agents, Hongkong;
H. PRICE & CO.,
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Hongkong, 3rd October, 1904. [2359]ROYAL AERATED WATERS
MANUFACTORY.PRODUCE the Highest Class AERATED
WATERS in the Far East, on account
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REPORT OF AN EXPERT.

The representative of Messrs. BRADY and
HINCHLIFFE, LIMITED, Aerated Water
Engineers and Chemists, Manchester, visited our
factory recently in the course of a tour amongst
Eastern Aerated Water Makers, and was greatly
surprised at the compactness of our factory and
also the methodical way in which everything
pertaining to the making of Aerated Waters
was carried out. He also expressed himself
strongly on the absolute cleanliness of our
whole establishment, which he assured us was
equal to any he had yet visited and superior to
a great many. He also reported that the
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FACTORY and OFFICE, West Point, Tel.
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F. P. DANENBERG,

General Manager.
Hongkong, 11th May, 1904. [122]

CARTRIDGES.

IMPORTED EVERY MONTH, THERE
FORE ALWAYS FRESHFLEY'S, SCHULTZE'S, AMBERITE
E. and KYNOCK'S SPORTING
CARTRIDGES 8, 10, 12, 16, and 20 BORE,
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all Sizes, No. 10 to SSSG, AIR GUNS and
AMMUNITION in Variety.

WM. SCHMIDT & CO.

Hongkong 28th November, 1902.

INSURANCES

THE
WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY OF
TORONTO AND LONDON.
INCORPORATED A.D. 1851.

MARINE BRANCH.

THE undersigned having been appointed
AGENTS for the above are prepared to
accept risks at current rates.

ALEX. ROSS & CO.

Hongkong 28th April, 1904. [121]

L UNION OF PARIS FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITEDTHE Undersigned having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company are
prepared to accept Risks at Current rates.

SIEMSEN & CO.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. [105]

AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE IN-
SURANCE CO.
OF AIX-LA-CHAPELLE.THE Undersigned, having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company, are
prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE
at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. [9]

PHENIX FIRE OFFICE.

The Undersigned are now prepared to
GRANT POLICIES of INSURANCE
against FIRE at Current Rates.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.

Agents for the Phenix Fire Office.

Hongkong, 17th August, 1887.

NORTHERN ASSURANCE CO.

FIRE and LIFE.

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First Class Foreign and Chinese RISKS
against FIRE at Current Rates.Also to accept proposals for LIFE ASSUR-
ANCE. Prospectsus on application.

TURNER & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1903. [247]

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCAN-
TILE INSURANCE COMPANY.TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1903
216,898,650.I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL... 23,000,000
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL... 2,750,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL... 687,500 0 0
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against FIRE at Current Rates.

SHEWWAN, TOMES & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 18th June, 1904. [1083]

CANTON DISTRICT.

LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 67.

Removal work at Canton River Barriers; pre-
cautions to be observed by passing vessels.NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
removal work at the Canton River
Barriers will shortly commence, and that, with
a view to avoid endangering the lives of those
engaged on it, the following rules should be
observed by passing vessels.1. When a red and white flag [International
H.] is shown from a barrier, or from a boat in
the neighbourhood of a barrier, it will indicate
that the wash of a steamer is liable to endanger
life and property.Under these circumstances a steamer should
pass that neighbourhood at as slow a speed as
possible.2. When a red flag is shown from a barrier or
from a boat in the neighbourhood of a barrier
it will indicate that vessel must not, so long
as that flag is flying attempt to pass the barrier.This latter is an emergency signal to meet
possible contingencies.J. HOWELL MAY,
Harbour Master.

Approved.

S. M. RUSSELL,
Deputy Commissioner of Customs.

Custom House, Canton, 1st October, 1904. [2360]

HIRANO WATER.

THE QUEEN OF TABLE WATERS.

PURE, SPARKLING, INVIGORATING.

THE LEADING MINERAL WATER OF THE EAST
Bottled in Japan by H. E. REYNELL & CO.

BEWARE OF JAPANESE IMITATIONS.

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Hongkong, 31st July, 1903. [1898]

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A.I., A.B.C., Scott's and Engineering Code
Used.

DOCK No. 1 (at TATEGAMI)

Extreme Length... 523 feet.

Length on Blocks... 513.

Width of Entrance on Top... 89 "

Width of Entrance on Bottom... 77 "

Water on Blocks at Spring Tide... 26 1/2 "

DOCK No. 2 (at MUKAIJIMA)

Extreme Length... 371 feet.

Length on Blocks... 350 "

Width of Entrance on Top... 66 "

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Water on Blocks at Spring Tide... 22 "

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

AUCHENARDEN, British str., 2,351, Robt. Bryces, 4th Oct.—Moji 28th Sept., Coal.—M. B. Kasha.
CHANG EEE, British str., 1,193, J. G. Follett, 4th Oct.—Samarang 26th Sept., Sugar—Chine.
HAIMAN, British str., 636, A. Robson, 4th October.—Swatow 3rd October, General—Douglas Laprade & Co.
LOOGSANO, British str., 1,092, G. S. Weigall, 4th October.—Munila 1st October, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MANCHURIA, American steamer, 8,750, J. W. Saunders, 4th Oct.—San Francisco 30th August, Mails and General—Pacific Mail S.S. Co.
NAMSANG, British str., 4,035, G. Payne, 3rd October, Calcutta via Straits Ports 17th September, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
NANSHAN, British str., 1,200, E. F. Stovell, 3rd October, Kutchinotan 28th Sept., Coal—M. B. Kasha.
SHANSI, British str., 1,228, Carnaghan, 3rd October—Canton 2nd Oct., General—Butterfield & Swire.
SULMAN VAN LANGKAT, Dutch str., 2,922, Stage, 4th Oct.—Balek Papan 26th Sept., Bulk Oil—Meyer & Co.
TYR, Norwegian str., 1,418, D. L. Danielson, 4th October—Hongkong 1st October, Coals—East Asiatic Trading Co.
ULYSSES, British str., 2,282, L. M. Bevan, 3rd October—Liverpool and Singapore 28th September, General—Butterfield & Swire.
Wooing, British str., 1,109, Dowson, 3rd Oct.—Shanghai 30th September, General—Butterfield & Swire.
YOCHE, British str., 1,306, J. H. Brown, 4th October—Canton 3rd Oct., General—Butterfield & Swire.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.

4th October.

Purnea, British str., for Amy.
Shansi, British str., for Saigon.Tyr, Norwegian str., for Canton.
Viking, Norwegian str., for Kobe.

Yochow, British str., for Saigon.

DEPARTURES.

4th October.

AUSTRALIEN, French str., for Europe.

CARL DIEDERICHSEN, Ger str., for Haiphong.

CATHERINE APCAR, British str., for Calcutta.

KAITONG, British str., for Cabu.

KICKIANG, British str., for Chefoo.

KOHCHANG, German str., for Bangkok.

NUMANTIA, German str., for Moji.

SAGAMI, British str., for Manila.

WOOSUNG, British str., for Canton.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

4th October.

ABERDEEN DOCKS—HOWEON DOCKS—U. S. S. Pathfinder, Laien, Kampf, Agincourt, Nico media, COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

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1904.

About

HINDUSTAN" ... 10th Oct.

"ST. HUGO" ... 18th Nov.

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Agents.

Hongkong, 9th August, 1904.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

AUSTRALIAN LINE.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, VIA MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE & BRISBANE.

THE Company's Steamer

"YAWATA MARU."

Captain A. E. Moses, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 21st inst., at 4 P.M.

This well-known Steamer is specially constructed for service in the Tropics, and is provided with superior accommodation and with all modern fittings and improvements for the safety and comfort of Passengers. Electric Light and Refrigerator. Doctor and Stewardess carried.

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A. S. MIHARA,

Manager.

Hongkong, 1st October, 1904.

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AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR FIUME AND TRIESTE (DIRECT).

Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG,

CA' CUTTA, COLOMBO, ADEN,

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(Taking Cargo at through rates to the BRAZILS,

TO SOUTH AFRICA, RED SEA, BLACK SEA,

LEVANT, VENICE AND ADRIATIC PORTS).

THE Company's Steamship

"TRIESTE"

Captain Mistrirogo, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 23rd inst., P.M.

For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

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Princes Buildings.

Hongkong, 4th October, 1904.

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HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

THE British steamship

"YING KING."

Captain E. J. Page, of 1083 tons, Registered, is the newest, fastest and most luxuriously furnished steamer on the line and is lighted throughout with electricity; hot and cold water service. The cuisine is excellent.

Leaving Hongkong every MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY EVENING, at 9 P.M. and returning from Canton every following evening at 5 P.M.

1st Class ... \$3.00 for Single Journey

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The steamer's wharf is at the Western end of Wing Lok Street.

YUK ON S.S. CO. LTD.

No. 216, Wing Lok Street.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1904.

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DESTINATION

VESSEL'S NAME

FLAG

CAPTAIN

FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO

TO BE DESPATCHED

LONDON, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	BENGAL	G. Philipps	P. & O. S. N. Co.	8th inst., at Noon
MARSEILLE, LONDON AMSTERDAM, &c.	PATROCLUS	Dickens	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	11th inst.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP	ACHILLES	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	25th inst.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP	ULYSSES	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About 13th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	JAPAN	E. P. Martin	P. & O. S. N. Co.	12th inst., at Noon
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	SACHSEN	H. Feyen	MELCHERS & CO.	To-morrow.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SCANDIA	Brit. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	18th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SVENIA	von Döhren	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	1st Nov.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ALBENGA	Parker	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	15th Nov.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SEGOWIA	Petersen	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	29th Nov.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	COURTEFOILLE	Brit. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	8th inst.
DURBAN, NATAL	TRIESTE	Aus str.	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	29th inst. P.M.
TRELESTE, &c., VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PINGSU	Brit. str.	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	22nd inst.
GENOA, MARSELLLES & LIVERPOOL	HINDESTAN	Parker	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About 10th inst.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	CLAVERBURN	Parker	DODWELL & CO. LTD.	About 16th inst.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	ALBENGA	Parker	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	About 23rd inst.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	E. OF CHINA	E. Beetham	CARLOWITZ & CO.	10th inst.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	ATHENIAN	S. Robinson	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	12th inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA NAKA, &c.	TREMONT	G. W. Martin	DODWELL & CO. LIMITED	7th inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA NAKA, &c.	R. W. Almond	F. Wagner	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	10th inst.
PORTLAND, OREGON	YANGTZE	G. W. Almond	P. & O. S. N. Co.	15th inst., 11 A.M.
YACONEDIA	NICOMEDIA	G. W. Almond	DODWELL & CO. LTD.	21st inst., 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	AUSTRALIAN	A. E. Moses	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	7th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	YAWATA MARU	L. Dawson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	11th inst., D'light.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TAIWAN	G. M. Montford	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 8th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	KAIWOO	D. Dawson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About 25th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CORONADEL	R. Rodger	F. B. Ferguson	9th inst., D'light.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	WOOSONG	S. J. Payne	T. BRANDT	12th inst., D'light.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	FRITHJOF	R. Rodger	A. H. Haraldsen	7th inst., 11 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	M. STRUVE	S. J. Payne	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	To-day.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TRIUMPH	R. Rodger	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	7th inst., 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TAXIM	R. Rodger	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	8th inst., 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	LOONGSAM	R. Rodger	Douglas Laprae & Co.	15th inst., Noon.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	MANILA	R. Rodger	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	15th inst., 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	MANILA DIRECT	R. Rodger	MELCHERS & CO.	7th inst., 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	KUDAT & SANDAKAN	R. Rodger	CARLOWITZ & CO.	12th inst., Noon.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	KUDAT & SANDAKAN	R. Rodger	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	11th inst., 3 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	NAMSANG	R. Rodger	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	

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VICTORIA B.C. AND TACOMA

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MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

SAILING DATE.

Steamer.	Tons.	Captain.	Sailing Date.
TREMONT	9,606	T. W. Garlick	Friday, October 7th
LYRA	4,417	G. V. Williams	Thursday, October 26th

† Cargo only.

FOR MANILA.

The largest, steadiest, and most comfortable steamers for Manila.

CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION, ATTENDANCE AND CUISINE. ELECTRIC LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESSES.

The twin-screw s.s. "SHAWMUT" and "TREMONT" have just been fitted with very Superior Accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers. The large size of these vessels ensures steadiness at sea. Electric fan in each room. Barber's shop and steam laundry. Cargo carried in cold storage.

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JOINT SERVICES.**

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TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA,
AND SUMATRA PORTS.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL..	"JASON"	On 14th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL..	"AGAMEMNON"	On 22nd October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL..	"PYRENEUS"	On 27th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL..	"YANGTZE"	On 29th October.

HOMEBWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP	"PATROCLUS"	On 11th October.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"PINGSUEY"	On 22nd October.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM and ANTWERP	"ACHILLES"	On 25th October.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM and ANTWERP	"ULYSSES"	On 8th November.

* Taking cargo for Liverpool at London rates.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"YANGTSE"	On 1st November.
For Freight, apply to—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.	[10-11]

Hongkong, 30th September, 1904.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA.....	"TAMING"	On 5th October.
YOKOHAMA and KOBE.....	"TAIYUAN"	On 7th October.
SHANGHAI.....	"WOOSUNG"	On 8th October.
The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.		
+ Taking cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.		
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REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS,		
For Freight or Passage, apply to—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.	[12]

Hongkong, 30th September, 1904.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

(PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)		
FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
* MANILA.....	"LOONGSANG"	Friday, 7th Oct., 4 P.M.
KUDAT & SANDAKAN.....	"MAUSANG"	Friday, 7th Oct., 4 P.M.
* SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA "NAMSANG"	Tuesday, 11th Oct., 3 P.M.	
* These steamers have superior accommodation for First-Class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.		
+ Taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to Chefoo, Tientsin and Yangtze Ports.		
For Freight or Passage, apply to—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS.	[1938]

Hongkong, 5th October, 1904.

SOUTH AFRICAN LINE OF STEAMERS.

HONGKONG DIRECT, OR VIA CHEFOO OR CHIN-WAN-TAO, TO DURBAN, NATAL.		
The following chartered steamers will run at intervals of about 3 weeks:—		
S.S. "SWANLEY"	Captain J. P. Dawson.	
S.S. "COURTFIELD"	Captain J. W. Martin.	
S.S. "CRANLEY"	Captain W. E. Steele.	
S.S. "IKBAL"	Captain A. Jennings.	
S.S. "ASCOT"	Captain C. E. Cox.	
S.S. "TWEEDDALE"	Captain T. M. Milne.	
S.S. "LOTHIAN"	Captain J. C. Williamson.	
S.S. "INKUM"	Captain E. S. Pearce.	

The next departure will be the S.S. "COURTFIELD," sailing from here on 8th October, via CHIN-WAN-TAO (taking cargo for Durban).

For Freight, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., AGENTS.

Hongkong, 27th September, 1904.

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'s fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.		
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DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents for China and Japan.		
Hongkong, 4th August, 1897.		
STEAM TO CANTON.		

REDUCED FARES.

THE Commodious Steel Twin Screw Steamer "TAI ON."		
Captain J. Lawrence, leaves the Tung Yik Wharf, Praya West, on MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS and FRIDAYS at 8.00 P.M., returning from Canton on TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS and SATURDAYS, at 5 P.M.		
Fares:		
Saloon	\$2.00	
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2nd Class60	
Steerage20	

This well-known steamer has been fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled accommodation, excellent cuisine, best brands of Wines and Spirits at moderate charges.

YIK ON S. S. CO.,

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Hongkong, 9th July, 1904. [1824]

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"DEUCALION."

are hereby notified that the cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., where in both cases it will lie at Consignee's risk. The cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 30th instant.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M. on the 5th prox.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th prox., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 5th prox., or they will not be recognized.

No fire insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 2th September, 1904. [10-11]

CO. IMPORTERS—

HOLLAND-CHINA TRADING CO.

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BEN LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENVENUE"

FROM MIDDLESBORO', LEITH AND LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods undelivered after the 5th prox., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 15th prox., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 5th prox., at 11 A.M.

No fire insurance has been effected.

Bills of lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 28th September, 1904. [1235]

INDRA LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Company's Steamship

"INDRAWADI."

having arrived from the above ports, consignees are hereby informed that their goods of cargo are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 9th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No fire insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which will be found astonishingly efficacious, affording prompt relief where other well-tried remedies have been powerless.

No claims will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before noon, to-day, the 3rd inst.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd October, 1904. [1236]

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